

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Continuation re Application of: Michael F. Clarke *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/920,517 Art Unit: 1632  
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Entitled: Isolation and Use of Solid Tumor Stem Cells

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE  
ACTION DATED DECEMBER 1, 2004**

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Madam/Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2004. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.